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- The Eger district command is in a building on Stalin Plase. The same building houses the replacement command for Heves county. The two commands together number 26 to 28 officers, 35 to 38 cherks and 33 to 35 women.
- The new armored barracks on Baktay Gasse, in the northeast part of the city, was completed in 1950. In this barracks there is an armored regiment, with staff, regimental troops and two battalions. The regiment has 47 to 50 T-34 and T-34/85 tanks. It is under the armored division at Gyöngyös. In the regimental auto park are four or five tank trucks, two ambulances and a number of armored cars.
- The fortress barracks, also known as "Dob" barracks is on the southeastern edge of the city. It consists partly of old-fashioned casemates, the remainder being recent additions. The capacity is 1,600 men. It is at present occupied by a motorised rifle regiment with two of its battalions, a reconnaissance company, a communications company, an AA machine gun company and a medium mortar company.
- The accompanying guns in the battalions are 76.2 mm; the AT guns are 57 mm; mortars are 82 and 120 mm. In the companies there are Degtyarev light machine guns, 50 mm mortars and machine pistols. Each squad has one sniper rifle, Regimental strength is about 100 [sig] men. The regiment is under the armored division at Gyongyos. The auto park consists of 165 to 170 Csepel and Wieppon trucks, 12 Botond crosscountry vehicles, 8 jeeps, six armored cars. The regiment spent the entire summer in exercises.
- The Szarvas barracks in on Maklari street, at the corner of Lenin Plaza and Diofakut Gasse. It has a capacity of 1,000 men. At it are stationed further units of the motorized rifle regiment in the Dobó barracks, including the 3rd Battalion, an accompanying battery with 76.2 mm guns a heavy AT company with 76.2 mm guns and a motorised train column.

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- 6. In addition this barracks holds an auto repair shop unit of 43 to 45 technicians and an AT school, administratively under the rifle regiment.
- 7. The Trinitarius barracks on the north side of Stalin Plaza can take 600 men. It now holds a communications school with 150 to 170 students, and a communications battalion of 420 to 440 men, belonging to the armored division at Gyöngyös. The men wear black shoulder boards. Both units are equipped with R/3 and R/7 radios. The school remained at the barracks during the summer, while the battalion was out on exercises. The battalion is fully motorized. It has one cable truck for each platoon, radio cars with R/7 apparatus, workshop cars, generator cars and a number of motorcycles.
- 8. The Bem Jóssef barracks is on 60 Regiments Gasse in the northern part of the city. Farther along the street is the military hospital. The barracks has a capacity of 1,100 men. It is now occupied by a motorized artillery section of 460 to 480 men, with red shoulder boards. The unit belongs to the armored division at Gyöngyös. It has three howitzer batteries, each with four 122 mm howitzers, one light machine gun, one heavy machine gun and one AA machine gun. The men of the machine gun companies are taking a course at the fortress barracks. Like the other Eger units this section was on exercises during the summer of 1953.

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